

Appl. No. 10/038,018
Amdt. dated Feb. 11, 2004
Reply to Office action of Jan. 08, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This amended Response to the Office Action of Jan. 08, 2004 is submitted to rectify errors in the Jan. 13, 2004 Response to the Office Action of Jan. 08, 2004.

Claims 13-22 and 25-35 remain in this application. Claims 1-12, 23-24 and 36 have been canceled.

Contaminant separation sectors 201, 202 and 203 of Fig. 6 are shown layered within the interior of the housing with the electrodes of the contaminant separation sectors arranged in substantially parallel planes and in distinct layers within the housing with the electrodes interleaving and forming a series of cavities to define a flow path from the inlet port to the outlet port of the housing.

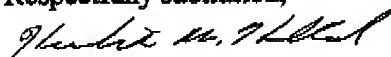
Claims 13 and 18 have been amended to recite placing contaminant separation sectors within the interior chamber of the housing such that the electrodes of the contaminant separation sectors are arranged in substantially parallel planes and in distinct layers.

Claim 13 has been amended to include the recitation of the plates of the electrodes interleaving and forming a series of cavities to define a flow path from the inlet port to the outlet port of the housing.

Claim 32 has been amended to depend from Claim 31.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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